

**Reconstitution of Water Quality  
Review Committee (WQRC)**

Government of Maharashtra  
Water Resources Department  
Resolution No.Sankirna-2008/965/(261/2008)WRP  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032  
Dated 05.12.2008

**Sub:-** Reconstitution of "Water Quality Review Committee" for assessment and review of water quality monitoring network.

**Ref:-** 1) GoM, Water Resources Department's Resolution No.CWC 2002/ 193/ (32/02) WRP dated 29.12.2002 / 1/1/2003.  
2) GoI, MoWR, New Delhi's letter No. 12/2A/2007-B&B/1796-1833 dated 22/7/2008

**Preamble:-** Assessment of water quality is very much essential from the hygienic point pollution, health hazard and environmental angle. State level Water Quality Review Committee (WQRC) was formed by GoM vide resolution under reference No.1 for assessing and reviewing including monitoring of "Water Quality Network". In the 6th meeting of Water Quality Assessment Authority (WQAA) held under the chairmanship of the Secretary (MoEF), GoI, on 23/5/2008 at New Delhi, it was decided to reconstitute state level WQRCs in order to make them more result oriented and having relevant linkages with water resource management at the state level. Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) has requested to reconstitute the state level WQRC vide reference no. 2 above.

**Resolution:-** In pursuance to the above decision taken by the "Water Quality Assessment Authority," it is decided by Government of Maharashtra to reconstitute the Water Quality Review Committee. The composition of Water Quality Review Committee at State level shall be as under.

1	Secretary (WR) Water Resources Department, GoM, Mumbai	Chairperson
2	Secretary, Water Supply and Sanitation Department, GoM, Mumbai	Member
3	Secretary, Environment Department, GoM, Mumbai	Member
4	Member Secretary, Maharashtra Jivan Pradhikaran, Mumbai	Member
5	Commissioner, Agriculture Department, Pune	Member
6	Director, National Environmental Engineering Research Institute, Nagpur	Member
7	Scientist 'B', Zonal office, Central Pollution Control Board Vadodara, Gujrat	Member
8	Chief Engineer, Central Water Commission, Nagpur	Member
9	Chief Engineer, Hydrology Project, Nashik	Member
10	Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board, Central Region, Nagpur	Member
11	Director, Ground Water Surveys and Development Agency, Pune	Member
12	Director, Directorate of Irrigation Research & Development, Pune	Member
13	Sr. Joint Commissioner (B&E), MoEF, WQAA coordinating Cell, New Delhi	Special invitee
14	Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai	Member Secretary

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The main functions of the Water Quality Review Committee shall be as under

1. To review water quality monitoring network in the respective region for optimization in terms of location of stations, frequency of monitoring of choice of parameters
2. To review Water Quality Data Analysis and interpretation in order to identify problem areas and developing action plans for improving quality, on a sustainable basis
3. To review / assess schemes launched / to be launched to improve quality of the water resources
4. To identify hot spots for surveillance monitoring
5. To promote R & D activities
6. To share water quality data and provide assistance to the member agencies in the management of the quality of the national water resources
7. Any other responsibility as may be assigned to the WQRC by the WQAA / State Govt. in the context of quality of the national water resources


The WQRC may examine and discuss specific water quality related tasks to be carried out and recommend the mode of executing such tasks (e.g. by constituting small task groups, using state or central agency resources or by hiring WQ domain experts). The committee shall submit its quarterly report to WQAA so that the same can be reflected in the annual report of the WQAA. The committee meetings shall be held once in three months.

The Chief Engineer, Hydrology Project, Nashik shall provide all logistic supports to Member Secretary for organization of the meetings.

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By Order and in the name of Governor of Maharashtra

  
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